## 2018 DALE COUNTY HEALTH DEPARTMENT



Provides caring, quality services that affect every person in Dale County—not just those who walk through health department doors.



#### The Bureau of Clinical Laboratories provides quality laboratory results

for the following programs: maternity, family planning, child health, STD, tuberculosis control, diabetes, HIV/AIDS, newborn screening and environmental services.



#### Alabama's Children's Health Insurance Program

increases access to care for eligible, uninsured children ages birth through 18, and served 1,525 Dale County children in the month of September 2018.



# WIC provides nutrition assessment, education, and nutritious foods at no cost to a monthly average of 1,236 limited-income pregnant, breastfeeding, and postpartum women,

pregnant, breastfeeding, and postpartum women, infants, and children up to age 5 at nutritional risk in Dale County and a monthly average of 120,600 statewide.



### Licensed public health social

workers provide case management/care coordination for family planning, newborn screening disorders, elevated lead levels, home health and other services.



#### Issued 288 new or repair permits to regulate and permit onsite sewage disposal systems and oversee treatment and

oversee treatment and disposal of septage and other permitted wastes.



## Prevents the occurrence and spread of rabies

within the human and animal population of Dale County by investigating reports of 80 exposures to animal bites.



## Provided confidential testing, treatment,

counseling, partner referral, and epidemiologic investigations for most sexually transmitted diseases in 261 support nurse visits.



## Confidential and professional family planning services

were provided in 2,095 visits by Dale County residents. A wide range of services is available regardless of income to prevent unintended pregnancies through education and contraceptive services.



#### Offers a tobacco Quitline free to Alabama residents.

Free call, free coaching, and free nicotine patches (if medically eligible and in coaching) to help tobacco users quit. Call 1-800-QUIT NOW or go to Quitnowalabama.com



## Provides breast and cervical cancer screening

to uninsured and underinsured women age 40-64. The Dale County Health Department served 114 women in 2018.



#### **Newborn screening**

detects genetic or metabolic conditions, thereby reducing morbidity, premature death, intellectual and other developmental disability through early detection and follow-up.



### Regulates the possession, use

and disposal of radioactive materials and equipment, and administers a radon and naturally occurring radioactive materials program.



#### Responds to storms, floods, disease outbreaks, nuclear power plant accidents, and

other emergencies. Employees provide training, coordination, and response to disasters and partner with local first responders for health, medical, and social services.



#### Assists rural and medically underserved areas

by working with health care providers and organizations to prepare grants and provide workforce development.



#### Protects patients/ residents of health care facilities from

abuse and neglect.
Works to ensure facilities comply with state and federal standards.
Requires corrective action when surveys find facilities are noncompliant. Assures that emergency medical services meet or exceed established standards.

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Provided 3,023 home care visits that include skilled nursing, physical therapy, medical social work and personal care services through Medicare-certified home health agencies.



Issued 3,852
certified copies of
vital records on a
while-you-wait basis
regardless of where
in the state the event
occurred.



Conducted 466
inspections of
restaurants, schools,
and other food
service and lodging
establishments
including child
care centers to
ensure standards in
environmental health
are maintained.



Provided 4 visits for tuberculosis testing, medication, physician services, epidemiologic investigations, hospitalization, and laboratory services for those with known or suspected TB disease and their contacts.



Provided 183
immunizations
including childhood
and adult vaccines.
Provided Alabama
Certificates of
Immunization required
for school entry.

The Alabama Department of Public Health (ADPH) works closely with your community to protect the public's health through emergency preparedness activities, health care coalitions, training, and response.

The mission of the ADPH is to promote, protect, and improve the health of individuals and communities in Alabama, and has served Dale County since 1927. Our purpose is to provide caring, high quality, and professional services for the improvement and protection of the public's health through disease prevention and the assurance of public health services to resident and transient populations of the state regardless of social circumstances or the ability to pay.

All services from the ADPH are provided to eligible persons without regard to race, color, creed, national original, political beliefs, handicaps, or sex. Payment for services varies. No one will be denied services if unable to pay.

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